

## House Resolution No. 821

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Missouri Corn Growers Association, which is celebrating thirty years of unparalleled service to Missouri's corn farmers and to the citizenry of the Show-Me State; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri Corn Growers Association held its first meeting at the Flaming Pit Restaurant in Columbia in April 1978, at which time Don Fischer of Corder was elected the organization's first president; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri Corn Growers Association has received unparalleled guidance and leadership from presidents Don Fischer of Corder, Kenneth Stock of Levasy, Robert Gebhards of Rock Port, Phil Aylward of Memphis, Byron Fink of Oregon, Glen Riekhof of Concordia, Brian Munzlinger of Williamstown, Sam Cobb of New Florence, Charles Hurst of Tarkio, Ron McNeall of Keytesville, Randy Jennings of Bernie, Brent Rockhold of Arbela, Sam Creed of Fairfax, B.J. Bailey of Oregon, Terry Hilgedick of Hartsburg, and Mike Geske of Matthews; and

**Whereas**, since its inception, the Missouri Corn Growers Association has hired Executive Director Gary Marshall in 1989 and constructed its permanent home at 3118 Emerald Lane in Jefferson City in 1999; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri Corn Growers Association has worked tirelessly on behalf of Missouri's corn farmers to create a farmer-owned ethanol industry in Missouri, protect atrazine as a tool for corn production, help farmers recover from Missouri floods, improve farm policy and planting flexibility, and successfully advocate for the passage of the historic Missouri Renewable Fuel Standard; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri Corn Growers Association board of directors and staff remain committed to serving as partners for progress in the future: serving as the voice for corn farmers in the Capitols on corn issues, protecting their right to farm, developing new value-added markets, providing news and information to help corn farmers make sound business decisions, and building value through partnerships with state and national organizations:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to all those dedicated individuals affiliated with the Missouri Corn Growers Association as they proudly celebrate this momentous milestone in their rich history; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Missouri Corn Growers Association.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Munzlinger  
District No. 1

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Representative John Quinn  
District No. 7

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 821, adopted February 26, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker